(b) the reasons analysed for the downfall; and

(c) the remedial steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) The available statistics on National Income, as estimated by the CSO provide National income for urban areas at current prices for three points of time namely, for the year 1970-71, 1980-81 and 1993-94. No data are available for the post 1993-94 period.

As regards State-Level Income, the Directorates of Economics and Statistics of various State Governments are responsible for estimating the State-level aggregate income in terms of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP), Net State Domestic Product (NSDP). Distribution of GSDP and NSDP across urban and rural areas is not made by any government agency. Hence, no comparison can be made of the State-level urban income with that of national average.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Internet facilities at rural post offices in Bihar

†*172. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post offices in rural areas of Bihar which have e-mail, Internet and Computer facilities; and

(b) whether Government propose to provide the above facilities in all important post offices of rural areas in the State within a fixed time-limit?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): (a) At present, e-mail, Internet and Computer facilities are not available in rural post offices in Bihar.

(b) Keeping in view the resources available and the need for optimal utilization of the computers, every effort is being made to expand the above facilities in all important post offices of rural areas in the State.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.